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SUBJECT: NEW VARIETY OF REBEL FIGHTING REPORTED

- 1. RADIO NDJAMENA YESTERDAY CARRIED A REPORT OF BLOODY FIGHTING AMONG MEMBERS OF THE FROLINAT-GOUKOUNI REBELS AT FAYA LARGEAU. A TOTAL OF 30 DEAD AND 30 WOUNDED WERE REPORTED PLUS AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF CIVILIAN CASUALTIE, FROM WHAT THE RADIO SAID WAS TROUBLESTIRRED UP AMONG DIFFERENT ETHNIC FACTIONS BY COL. QADHAFI.
- 2. ACCOMPANYING EDITORIAL COMMENT WAS STRONGLY ANTI-LIBYAN AND ACCUSED THE GOL OF TURNING CHADIAN AGAINST CHADIAN; FROLINAT VS. GOVERNMENT, MOSLEM VS. CHRISTIAN, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OR TOUBOU VS. ARAB A VARIANT OF THE SAME THEME WAS CITED IN A RECENT BBC INTERVIEW WITH GENERAL MALLOUM IN WHICH HE SAID FROLINAT OFFICIALS WERE PREVENTED FROM MEETING MEMBERS OF THE GOC DELEGATION AT THE RECENT TRIPOLI NEGOTIATION, EVEN THOUGH THEY (THE FROLINAT OFFICIALS), WERE PRESENT IN THE CITY, BECAUSETHEY WERE UNDER HOUSE ARREST.

COMMENT. THE FOREGOING SEEMS TO REVEAL BOTH THE INCREASING TENSIONS WITHIN THE REBEL MOVEMENT AND BETWEEN FROLINAT AND ITS LIBYAN BACKERS. BRADFORD

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